

BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

News Release

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SUBJECT: Shooting Suspect Arrested

After a brief stand-off, Blacksburg Police arrested 28-year-old Michael Paul Collins in connection with last night's shooting.

Police received information this morning that Collins was in a relative's house in the 600 block of Cedar Hill Drive. Police officers accompanied by Emergency Response Team members arrived at 11:30 and attempted to make contact with him. He refused to come out of the house while threatening suicide. After about 10 minutes of negotiations, Collins surrendered.

Collins is charged with one count of Aggravated Malicious Wounding and is currently being held in the Montgomery County Jail with no bond.

Police are coordinating their efforts with the Commonwealth Attorney and considering numerous other charges.